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The community facilities element inventories and accesses the infrastructure necessary to provide services to the public over the ten-year planning horizon of the comprehensive plan. The Planning Act requires the community facilities element to consider the following: water and sewer systems, solid waste collection and disposal, public safety, park and recreational facilities, educational facilities, libraries, and other governmental services.

## Community Facilities

## Summary of Key Findings

- School enrollment has remained steady over the last 10 years
- Cayce has an extensive and well used passive parks and recreation system
- Open use policies and joint use agreements are a good way to expand active recreation programming and facilities
- Water and sewer infrastructure is currently adequate to meet existing and projected growth needs
- Intergovernmental and stakeholder partnerships are important for meeting public safety and stormwater management needs
- Public safety sub-stations are needed to alleviate space needs and service gaps

## Issues and Opportunities

**Government and Stakeholder Coordination.** Because the City has many adjacent jurisdictions and a number of regionally significant assets, good intergovernmental and stakeholder coordination and collaboration is imperative. The City should continue to build and strengthen relationships with neighboring jurisdictions and organizational partners, and collaborate with them on capital improvement projects as a means for leveraging resources and achieving common goals and priorities.

**Quality Public Facilities and Services.** Cayce is responsible for providing a wide range of public services. The City should continue to engage in annual capital improvement planning and budgeting to ensure the availability of adequate funding and resources to sustain and improve public facilities and services.

**Stormwater Management.** Because of the regulatory requirements as an MS4, the City should identify opportunities for taking a targeted approach to achieving permit compliance such as coordinating with responsible entities, conducting water quality monitoring and hot spot mapping, and identifying and implementing priority projects and mitigation strategies.

## Related Goals and Strategies

The key issues and opportunities identified below relate to the comprehensive plan goals listed below. Relevant objectives and strategies corresponding with these goals are summarized in Table 8.2.

Goal # 6: Plan for Future Growth and Development

## Performance Metrics

To assist with monitoring progress towards achieving relevant goals and objectives, the City should collect and analyze the following data:

- Site plan review time - Number days to complete
- Code enforcement - Number citations issued, location, case closure rate
- Stormwater Outfall E. Coli Monitoring
- Water and Sewer - New customers, projects

**Planning and Development.** The City should continue to enhance its planning and development services by identifying opportunities for improving the site plan review process, code enforcement procedures, and long range planning initiatives to include development of strategic sub-area and sector specific plans. Such plans should include an Arts Overlay District Plan, Hospitality and Tourism Development Plan, and neighborhood and corridor master plans. There may also be a need to add additional staffing to the planning and development department to meet the performance goals of the plan.

**Table 8.2: Goals, Objectives, and Strategies**

Goal # 6: Plan for Future Growth and Development

Encourage local government and partner agency/organization coordination

- Coordinate with adjacent jurisdictions and relevant organizations to meet public infrastructure and service needs, to include joint funding opportunities, shared use, maintenance and operations agreements, and mutual aid/automatic aid agreements

Provide quality public facilities and services

- Continue to identify alternative funding opportunities for infrastructure and public service improvements such as the Community Development Block Grant Program and the rural infrastructure authority
- Continue to implement water and sewer line replacement/upgrades in areas with highest need
- Work with community partners to implement public safety recommendations from the City’s strategic plan
- Continue to cross train public safety staff
- Maintain and improve ISO rating
- Maintain mutual/automatic aid agreements and work with participating jurisdictions to implement a single point of contact dispatcher
- Identify priority areas and funding opportunities for developing new public safety sub-stations
- Implement capital improvement plan (CIP) recommendations and continue annual CIP planning process
- Require the use of traffic impact assessments as part of the development review process for high impact commercial and residential development proposals
- Prioritize stormwater needs in the City and identify funding opportunities and partners for implementing improvements